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PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 6530.0170-05

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Juergen KORTENBACH)
Application. No.: 10/612,005) Group Art Unit: 3734
Filed: July 3, 2003) Examiner: D. Yabut
For: FLEXIBLE ENDOSCOPIC SURGICAL) Confirmation No.: 3367
INSTRUMENT FOR INVAGINATION)
AND FUNDOPLICATION)

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

AMENDMENT AND
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In reply to the Office Action dated May 4, 2006, the period for reply having been extended to July 5, 2006 (since July 4, 2006 is a holiday), by a Petition for a one-month extension of time and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, and prior to the examination of the above-identified application, please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks follow the amendment section of this paper.